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SUBJECT: SALT MEETING SEPTEMBER 28, 1973 (SALT TWO--285)

1. SUMMARY. JOHNSON AND SEMENOV STATEMENTS TODAY BOTH REFERRED TO NIXON/BREZHNEV AGREEMENTS ON BASIC PRINCIPLES AT 1972 AND 1973 SUMMIT MEETINGS, BOTH SIDES USING REFERENCES TO SUPPORT CURRENT APPROACHES. NEXT MEETING OCTOBER 2. END SUMMARY

2. SEMENOV, FOLLOWING CONGRATULATORY REMARKS CONCERNING SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF SKYLAB-2 MISSION, DELIVERED STATEMENT WHICH BEGAN WITH REFERENCE TO 1974 TARGET DATE STATED IN "BASIC PRINCIPLES OF NEGOTIATIONS," AND THE POINT CONCERNING EQUAL SECURITY INTERESTS AND NO UNILATERAL ADVANTAGE. HE THEN SAID THAT BASING OUR WORK ON THIS GUIDANCE REQUIRES TAKING ACCOUNT OF THE ENTIRE STRATEGIC SITUATION AND LISTED SIX FACTORS IN ADDITION TO ICBMS, SLBMS AND STRATEGIC BOMBERS: ANY NUCLEAR MISSILES AND ANY NUCLEAR DELIVERY AIRCRAFT CAPABLE OF STRIKING TARGETS ON TERRITORY OF OTHER SIDE, CARRIER AIRCRAFT REGARDLESS OF CARRIER LOCATION, GEOGRAPHIC SITUATION, THIRD COUNTRY BASES, AND PRESENCE AND BUILD-UP OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN THIRD COUNTRIES. SUCH AN APPROACH WOULD TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE "OBJECTIVE STATE OF AFFAIRS". HE REJECTED THE SECRET

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"CENTRAL AND NON-CENTRAL" SYSTEMS DIVISION AS BASIS FOR WORKING OUT PERMANENT AGREEMENT, CLAIMING IT WOULD LEAD TO UNILATERAL ADVANTAGE WHICH COULD NOT BE CONCEALED BY SO-CALLED "CONCRETE AND DETAILED PROPOSALS." HE ALSO NOTED U.S. READINESS TO BASE

NEGOTIATIONS ON SUMMIT AGREEMENT GUIDANCE, AS WELL AS NOTING THE NEED TO AVOID DELAYS AND TAKE DUE ACCOUNT OF PAST EXCHANGES OF VIEWS.

3. JOHNSON STATEMENT REFERRED TO 1972 AGREEMENTS AND 1973 BASIC PRINCIPLES OF NEGOTIATIONS, USING APPROPRIATE EXCERPTS TO SHOW LOGICAL BASIS AND FULL CONFORMITY OF U.S. MARCH AND MAY 1973 PROPOSALS WITH THOSE AGREEMENTS.  
JOHNSON

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